Atty. Dkt. No. 042098-0103

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Bruno BERGE

Title:

DROP CENTERING DEVICE

Appl. No.:

09/937,508

International

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## **AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a preliminary amendment in the above-identified application.

- [ ] Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a previous assertion of Small Entity status.
- [ ] Assertion of Small Entity status is enclosed.
  - [X] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims			Extra			Additional Claims Fee
	As	Previously		Claims			Additional
	Amended	Paid For		Present		Rate	Claims Fee
Total Claims:	41	- 48	=	0	х	\$50.00 =	\$0.00

Independent Claims:	13	-	13	=	0	х	\$200.00	=	\$0.00
First pre	sentation	of any	Multiple	e Depende	ent Claims:	+	\$360.00	=	\$0.00
					CLAIMS	FE	E TOTAL	= -	\$0.00
[ ] Applicant he total number					time under 3	37 C.	F.R. §1.13	6(a) fo	or the
[ ] Extension for re	sponse f	iled wit	hin the f	irst montl	1:		\$120.00		\$0.00
[ ] Extension for re	Extension for response filed within the second month: \$450.00								\$0.00
Extension for response file d within the third month: \$1,020.00									\$0.00
Extension for response filed within the fourth month: \$1,590.00									\$0.00
EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:									\$0.00
									\$0.00
Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d): \$130.00								_	\$0.00
CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER FEE TOTAL:									\$0.00
[ ] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):									\$0.00
Extension Fees Previously Paid: TOTAL FEE:								\$0.00	
								\$0.00	

If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

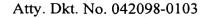
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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Further to a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114, applicant submits this preliminary amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: